Whereas, doubts have arisen as to whether all of the provisions of law relating to the granting of franchises were strictly complied with, now therefore

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. Ordinance legalized. That an ordinance of the incorporated town of Blairsburg, Iowa, passed on June 6th, 1916, and entitled: "An ordinance authorizing Iowa Falls Electric Company, its 3 successors, or assigns, within the town of Blairsburg, Iowa, to construct, reconstruct, maintain and operate a power plant or plants, for 5 the generation of electricity, system for the transmission, distribution 7 and use of electricity and to furnish electric energy for all purposes, and to carry on a general electric light and power business, and con-8 tracting with Iowa Falls Electric Company for the furnishing of electric energy to the town for public purposes." be and the same is hereby declared legal and valid, the same as if all provisions of law 10 11 12 relating to the granting of said franchise had in all respects been 13 strictly complied with: provided, that this act shall not affect pending 14 litigation.
- SEC. 2. Publication clause. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Des Moines Capital and the Cedar Rapids Tribune, newspapers published at Des Moines and Cedar Rapids, Iowa, said publication to be without expense to the state of Iowa.

Approved March 31, A. D. 1917.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Des Moines Capital April 5, 1917, and in the Cedar Rapids Tribune April 6, 1917.

W. S. ALLEN, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 113.

OF FRATERNAL BENEFICIARY SOCIETIES.

H. F. 225.

AN ACT to amend sections eighteen hundred thirty-nine-j (1839-j) and eighteen hundred thirty-nine-l (1839-l) of the supplement to the code, 1913, relating to the matter of fraternal beneficiary societies, orders or associations.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. Valuation of certificates for purpose of loan. That section eighteen hundred thirty-nine-j (1839-j) of the supplement to the code, 1913, be and the same is hereby amended by inserting after
- 4 the period in the last line of said section, the following:
- 5 "If the society makes loans on its certificates, the valuation shall be 6 based upon a mortality table not lower than the American Table of

7 Mortality and four and one-half per cent interest."

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7 8 SEC. 2. Investment of funds. That section eighteen hundred thirty-nine-l (1839-l) of the supplement to the code, 1913, be and the same is hereby amended by inserting after the period following the word "loss" in the twenty-fifth line thereof, the following:

"Loans on certificates of members, provided that the valuation of the society shows a maintenance of reserve not lower than the usual reserve computed upon the American Table of Mortality and four and

one-half per cent interest."

Approved March 31, A. D. 1917.

CHAPTER 114.

OF MEMORIAL HALLS.

H. F. 133.

AN ACT to provide for the custody and control of memorial halls erected under the provisions of sections four hundred thirty-five (435) and four hundred thirty-six (436) of the code.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. Custody. All memorial halls erected under the provisions of sections four hundred thirty-five (435) and four hundred thirty-six (436) of the code shall be in the custody and control of the committee for which provision is made in section four hundred thirtysix (436).
 - SEC. 2. Vacancy in committee—how filled. In the event of the death of any member of such committee, or of his inability to act, or of his resignation, or refusal to act, such death, inability, refusal or resignation shall create a vacancy in such committee, which shall be filled by the selection of another member, by the members of the Grand Army Posts in the county, and the person or persons so selected shall give bond, as required by section four hundred thirty-six (436) of the code.
- SEC. 3. Vacancies—failure of Grand Army Posts to fill—effect. If, for any reason, the Grand Army Posts of the county fail to select a member of such committee to fill any vacancy occurring therein, within one year after such vacancy occurs, then the clerk of the dis-3 trict court of such county shall, ex officio, become a member of such committee. If a second vacancy shall occur, and shall not be filled by the Grand Army Posts of the county, within one year after such vacancy occurs, then the sheriff of the county shall, ex officio, become a member of such committee; and if a third vacancy shall occur, and shall not be filled by the Grand Army Posts of the county, within one year after such vacancy occurs, then the county auditor shall, ex officio, become a member of such committee. After the county officers 10 11 herein named shall have become members of such committee as herein 12 provided, they, and their successors in office, shall continue to be mem-13 bers of, or shall constitute such committee, as the case may be.